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H. RES. 835

Amending the rules of the House of Representatives to provide for transparency in the committee amendment process.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. JENKINS (for herself, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. CANTOR, Mr. PENCE, Mr. PAULSEN, Mr. MCCLINTOCK, Mrs. SCHMIDT, Mr. LEE of New York, Mr. HENSARLING, Mr. LATTA, Mr. ROE of Tennessee, Mr. REICHERT, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. SCHOCK, Mr. DENT, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. KLINE of Minnesota, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. GERLACH, Ms. FOXX, Mr. TERRY, Mr. GRAVES, Mr. BARTON of Texas, Mr. CULBERSON, Mr. MICA, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. LUCAS, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, Mr. SCALISE, Mr. SMITH of Nebraska, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. COBLE, Mrs. LUMMIS, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. CARTER, Mr. POE of Texas, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. THORNBERRY, Mr. DREIER, Mr. BUYER, Mr. CAMP, Mr. POSEY, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. BARTLETT, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. MCCARTHY of California, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey, Mr. LANCE, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. DAVIS of Kentucky, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Mr. BOUSTANY, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin, Mr. KIRK, Mr. LATHAM, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mrs. MCMORRIS RODGERS, Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. GUTHRIE, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. MARCHANT, Mr. CHAFFETZ, Mr. ISSA, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. OLSON, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado, Mr. WESTMORELAND, Mrs. MILLER of Michigan, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. NEUGEBAUER, Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, Mr. MCCAUL, Mr. HARPER, Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida, Mr. FLEMING, Mr. WALDEN, Mr. UPTON, Mr. PRICE of Georgia, Mr. EHLERS, Mrs. BONO MACK, Mr. MACK, Mr. FORBES, Mr. JONES, Mr. PITTS, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida, and Mr. BARRETT of South Carolina) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules

RESOLUTION

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1 *Resolved*, That—

2 (a) Clause 2(e) of rule XI of the Rules of the House
3 of Representatives is amended by adding the following
4 subparagraph:

5 “(5)(A) Not later than 24 hours after com-
6 mencing a meeting to consider a measure or
7 matter, the chair of such committee shall cause
8 the text of such measure or matter to be made
9 publicly available in an electronic form.

10 “(B) Not later than 24 hours after the
11 adoption of any amendment to a measure or
12 matter considered by a committee, the chair of
13 such committee shall cause the text of each
14 such amendment to be made publicly available
15 in an electronic form.”.

16 (b) Clause 3(a)(1) of rule XIII is amended by striking
17 “and” at the end of subdivision (A), striking the period
18 and inserting a semicolon at the end of subdivision (B),
19 and adding the following subdivision:

20 “(C) shall not include recommended
21 amendments made to such measure or

1 matter after it was ordered reported except
2 technical and conforming changes author-
3 ized by the committee to correct section
4 numbers, cross-references, punctuation,
5 grammar, spelling, or to maintain mathe-
6 matical consistency.”.

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